

FANATICS MAKE HUMAN SACRIFICES

Thirty-Five Louisiana Murders Attributed to Negro Cult—Half Blood Negress, Claiming to be Directing Head of the "Church of the Sacrifice," Confesses to Seventeen Murders—Negroes of That Section Terrorized.

Lafayette, La., April 2.—Clementine Barnabet, a "half blood" negress, told a story here today that the police authorities say they accept as clearing the mystery veiling the killing of 20 negroes in southwest Louisiana and which, it is said, gave clues that will fix the guilt for 15 other night assassinations of blacks in Louisiana and Texas.

Admits Killing Seventeen.
From Clementine's story it appears she led a mysterious negro cult, the members of which performed the rites of "human sacrifice." The negress declared she killed 17 of the victims with her own hands.

To Gain Immortality by Sacrifice.
The murders have been committed in the last year. As one series of killings was added to another in different towns of southwest Louisiana and southeast Texas, the authorities concluded one mind directed them. Today the negress confessed she was the directing head of the cult, that is known as the "Church of the Sacrifice," which has for its feature creed the belief that by life sacrifice alone may a person gain immortality.

Armed With a Hoodoo.
Before engaging in any of these crimes, Clementine armed herself with a "hoodoo" which she got from a preacher and which she and other members of her band were assured would protect them from the law. While the exact reason for the murders is not explained to the satisfaction of the authorities, it is believed that Clementine and her companions were degenerate and that their weakened brains evidently were affected by the exhortations they had heard in the "Church of Sacrifice."

The grand jury, now in session, is expected to immediately return a verdict charging the woman with the crimes to which she has confessed.

Methods of the Fanatics.
Most of the 25 assassinations were accomplished in the killing of families of three and four members at one time. In every instance the murder was committed at night. The police today determined from Clementine's story that the religious fanatics took possession of a cottage owned by a

person marked for slaughter and that a bloody orgy followed.

The Blacks Terrorized.
So far as can be determined none of the story suffered death in any of the ceremonies of sacrifice. The mysterious series of killings instilled terror in the breast of every negro in south Louisiana and south Texas. In many families, each of which would not stir from their homes at night, and doors of their cabins that never before had known a lock were barred.

Gave Names of Women.
The girl is 19 years old. Two other women and two men, she said, members of the cult, had participated in these "sacrifices," which she, Clementine Barnabet, had directed. She gave the police names she said were those of the women, but would not identify the men, and tonight the authorities of this part of the state are seeking corroborative evidence. The grand jury is in session, but it is not expected to return indictments until confirmation of the remarkable story is obtained.

Seven Families Exterminated.
Seven negro families were exterminated, the axe being the instrument in every case, and used as they slept. The negroes of the countryside have been terrorized for months. Other families had been marked for death, the girl said, and would "pay the sacrifice."

Does Not Appear Demented.
Clementine is strong and robust and does not appear demented in spite of the story she tells. Systematic search will be made for the women she named, and the authorities hope to be able to clear up the mystery. Included in the murders were those of two negro families here, each of four members, a family of five at Rayne, a family of four at Crowley and a Lake Charles family.

Declares Her Father Innocent.
In the case of the Andrus family, murdered here in February, 1911, the woman appeared as chief witness against her father, Raymond Andrus, who was convicted and sentenced to be hanged, though later he was granted a new trial. She now declares her father was innocent.

INVESTIGATION OF SOILS OF THE SALT MEADOWS.

Railroad Considering Agricultural Possibilities Along Its Lines.

New Haven, Conn., April 2.—An order has been given out by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company from its office here for a scientific investigation of the soils of the salt meadows through many miles of which the lines of the corporation run. The investigation will be made by the New England railway's industrial bureau at Boston, representing the New Haven and Boston and Maine companies. The plan looks to a chemical analysis of the soils of these meadows to determine whether it would be worth while to dyke the meadows and adapt them for the raising of farm products.

Roosevelt Leaves for Kentucky.
New York, April 2.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt left for Louisville, Ky., this evening. During a train stop at Charleston, W. Va., at noon tomorrow he will make a brief speech, and tomorrow evening will deliver an address in Louisville. On Thursday he will make another formal speech in Parkersburg, W. Va. He will return to New York on Friday.

SAN FRANCISCO PAPER SUPPRESSED BY POLICE.

Industrial Workers' Organ Exceeds the Privileges of a Free Press.

San Diego, Cal., April 2.—The police have confiscated numerous copies of the San Francisco Bulletin of March 30, which contained a full page article headed "Gag Rule vs. Free Speech in San Diego." Fifteen men were arrested late yesterday while engaged in selling the papers. Fourteen of them were released later.

Chief of Police Wilson said the Bulletin had been placed by the authorities here in the same category with two other publications, the sale of which had been forbidden. The two mentioned are organs of the Industrial Workers of the World, one published by New Cagle, Pa., and the other in Seattle.

Strikers Destroy Property.
Calgary, Alberta, April 2.—Rioting is expected when 3,000 men sent out from Winnipeg reach here to go to construction camps on the Canadian Northern railway to break the strike that has tied up work. Ten thousand strikers are pouring into Calgary as a result of the agitation of the Industrial Workers of the World.

Late last night gangs of men descended on construction camps of the railway and destroyed all property in sight.

SCORCHING ATTACKS ON PARCELS POST.

Senator Heyburn Says "By and By We Will Vote by Letter."

Washington, April 2.—The parcels post unexpectedly received a severe scorching in the senate today at the hands of Senator Bailey of Texas and Heyburn of Idaho. It occurred in connection with a request from Mr. Bailey, in behalf of Senator Tillman, for printing an argument in favor of the parcels post proposition.

Mr. Bailey said he did not favor the parcels post and that with postal banks, parcels post and Postmaster General Hitchcock's proposed postal telegraphy, the postoffice soon would become the most important institution in every community.

Senator Heyburn objected to the printing, but subsequently withdrew his opposition and it was ordered. He said the effect of the parcels post would be to destroy the village town life.

"By and by we will vote by letter," he said, "and nobody will know anybody."

GROOM FAILED TO APPEAR ON HIS WEDDING DAY.

New Haven Stenographer Shabbily Treated by Her Affianced.

New Haven, Conn., April 2.—A bride party waited patiently in the office of Attorney William J. Kennedy today, and the patience grew to impatience with the bride-to-be. Finally the latter called up the home of the groom-to-be and was told that he had gone away, probably to Canada. With the remark to the effect that she thought the affair would turn out this way, the bride party were dismissed, as the wedding had been postponed. The young woman who was waiting and ready for the groom who did not come is Miss Adelaide Tomkin, and the young man Curtis W. Stetson, both being stenographers and about 24 years of age. Attorney Kennedy, who represents the young woman, said no effort would be made to bring the young man back.

Marching Competition by Militia.

Washington, April 2.—To keep its members in condition for long marches in cases of emergency, the Massachusetts state militia is going to hold marching competitions. The soldiers will wear the service equipment used in the field with the exception of the blankets. The distance will cover 30 miles and the contestants will be marked for attendance, time and duration. Penalties are provided for violations of the contest rules.

No Premiums With Cigarettes.

Washington, April 2.—A bill to prohibit the use of premium certificates in the sale of tobacco, cigars and cigarettes or the wrapping of prizes in such packages, was introduced today by Representative Moore of New York and referred to the ways and means committee.

To Banquet Diaz at Madrid.

Madrid, April 2.—Gen. Porfirio Diaz, ex-president of Mexico, arrived here today. He was received in audience by King Alfonso, who will give a banquet in his honor.

A BREAK AMONG LOWELL STRIKERS

Mule Spinners Employed in One Mill Threaten to Go to Work.

Lowell, Mass., April 2.—The Lowell Manufacturers' association, composed of the agents of the cotton mills which have closed their gates, considered the demands of the striking operatives at a meeting today, but none of those who took part in the meeting would make any statement afterwards.

Some of those interested in the industrial situation here expected that the local mills would follow the action of those of New Hampshire and Maine today in adding to their additional increase of wages enough to make the total increase at least ten per cent. Operatives allied with both the Industrial Workers of the World and the United Textile Workers of America demand 15 per cent.

The first indication of a possible break in the strike and lockout came this morning at a meeting of the mule spinners, who are associated with the United Textile Workers. It was announced at the close of the meeting that the sixteen spinners employed in the Hamilton mill would return to work in the morning, and that if the mills should reopen, the 150 spinners who are out would return. The committee said that the mule spinners had no grievance against the manufacturers, and that under the new schedule of wages their increases ranged from five to seventeen per cent. At the Hamilton mill it was denied that the corporation intended to open its plant tomorrow, and it was apparent that its representatives did not care to discuss the situation.

At the meeting of the I. W. W. this morning a special committee was appointed to visit Judge J. J. Pickman of the police court and plead for the release of a Polish woman who was arrested for assault upon an officer yesterday, and who was fined \$45. She has been ordered to go to jail in default of payment of the fine. The strike committee alleges that she is in a delicate condition and should not be allowed to be so confined. During the meeting Alice George, the Assyrian girl, who was arrested yesterday noon for creating a disturbance at a mill gate, and who had paid a fine in court this morning, entered the hall, and was received with cheers. The meeting voted to picket the Hamilton mill heavily tomorrow morning. April showers thinned out the ranks of pickets this morning. A large number of police officers guarded the different mill sections, but had nothing to do. The hosiery mills of the Lawrence Manufacturing company and the Bigelow Carpet mills opened at the usual hour, and there was no disorder at their gates.

SMOKING AT WESLEYAN CAUSE OF DISCUSSION

Hartford Pastor Said He Took His Son Away from University.

New York, April 2.—Smoking at Wesleyan university, a Methodist institution at Middletown, Conn., brought forth heated discussion at the New York East conference of the Methodist Episcopal convention in Brooklyn today. After several ministers had condemned the practice, it was finally ruled by the Rev. George T. Main, who was in the chair, that whether the Wesleyan boys smoked or not was not the conference's business. "As Wesleyan is not a theological seminary," he said, "I cannot see why we have any authority to take any steps in the matter."

Rev. D. N. Couch of Brooklyn was particularly bitter in his denunciation of the smoking evil. He had a grandson at Wesleyan, he said, and had found his room smoke laden when he visited him. The young man would never have dared to smoke at home, he added.

Rev. C. N. Griffin of Hartford spoke bitterly. "They even have smokers' there," he said, "sanctioned and condoned by professors."

"I had a son there," he continued, "but I felt compelled to remove him because of conditions. Rather than have him at an institution where smoking is rampant, I would send him to a place of another denomination."

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Evidence Showed Their Activity for a Citizens' Ticket.

Thompsonville, Conn., April 2.—Judge L. W. Morrison of the Enfield town court, Town Clerk and Treasurer E. L. Hilditch, Tax Collector J. A.

Best, A. P. Baker, John Hargraves, and L. A. King, prominent republicans, were stricken from the caucus roll here today, after a hearing before E. G. Alcorn, chairman of the republican town committee, and A. T. Lord, republican registrar of voters.

Summons were served upon the men Saturday night to show cause why they should not be stricken from the roll for their alleged activities for the citizens' ticket at the annual town election, October 2 last. The men entered pleas of abatement, which were overruled. They took appeals to the court of common pleas for Hartford county.

In the evidence submitted against the men was the statement filed by Judge Morrison, who acted as political agent for two of the candidates at the election, Messrs. Best and Hilditch.

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